

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

April 25, 2011

The Honorable Council of the City of Evansville met on regular session at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2011 in the City Council Chambers, Room 301 Civic Center Complex, Evansville, Indiana, with President B.J. Watts presiding. The following business was conducted.

These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript. Audiotapes of this meeting are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

ROLL CALL:

Present: McGinn Mosby, Bredhold, Robinson, Friend, Adams, John, Walker, and Watts.

There being nine (9) members present and zero (0) members absent and nine (9) members representing a quorum, I hereby declare this session of the Common Council officially open.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

This evening the pledge of allegiance was led by Dan McGinn.

Fellow Councilmen and those in the audience, welcome to the April 25, 2011 meeting of the Common Council.

TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Kenny Eddmenson, Emily Nesbitt, Kayla Hammelman, Blake Byrum, Whitney Blank,

COUNCIL ATTORNEY

John Hamilton is City Council Attorney this evening.

SERGEANT AT ARMS

This evening there is no Sergeant at Arms.

READING AND AMENDMENT OF MINUTES

Is there a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2011 meeting of the Common Council as written?

Councilman Friend moved and Councilwoman Mosby seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held April 11, 2011. Voice vote. So ordered.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

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ON YOUR DESK THIS EVENING:

- *Resolution C-2011-14.

Councilman John moved and Councilman Friend seconded the motion to receive, file and make these reports and communications a part of the minutes of the meeting. Voice vote. So ordered.

CONSENT AGENDA

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS

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Councilwoman Mosby moved and Councilwoman Bredhold seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as written. Voice vote. So ordered.

CONSENT AGENDA

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION C-2011-11 **FINANCE** **FRIEND**

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Confirming the Declaration of an Economic Revitalization Area for Property Tax Phase-In for the Acquisition of New Manufacturing Equipment (Sugar Steel Corporation)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN FRIEND

Councilman Friend: Mr. President, your Finance Committee met this evening to hear Resolution C-2011-11 and it comes forward with a do pass recommendation.

Councilman John moved and Councilman Friend seconded the motion to adopt the committee reports and move this resolution to Third Reading. Voice vote. So ordered.

REGULAR AGENDA

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

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Councilman John moved and Councilman Friend seconded the motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-11 and call the roll.

Roll Call: M^cGinn, Mosby, Bredhold, Robinson, Friend, Adams, John, Walker, and Watts.

There being nine (9) ayes and zero (0) nays, Resolution C-2011-11 is hereby declared adopted.

President Watts: Is there anyone here this evening to speak on this Resolution?

Abby Wanniger: I'm from the Growth Alliance for greater Evansville. After January 2011, the Growth Alliance has been the organization responsible for administering Evansville's Sister City Program. I am here in support of the Resolution before you this evening and establishing the Sister City Relationship to the City of Evansville and Tizimin. We have several in attendance this evening. John Whinrey, Shawn Huffman, Jason Blue, Fred McNutt, Charles Kelly and Gene Warren. Shawn Stuckman is also in attendance this evening on behalf of the office of Mayor Jonathon Weinzapfel. Mayor Weinzapfel has been active and supportive of us establishing this relationship.

President Watts: Thank you. If you could, could you give us an executive summary of some of the things that you have done. Some of the things you have done are amazing.

RESOLUTION DOCKET

RESOLUTION C-2011-13 (Docket)

WATTS

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Supporting the City's Participation in Developing a Sister City Relationship

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF EVANSVILLE SUPPORTING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION
IN DEVELOPING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Tizimin municipality is a broad area immediately west of Cancun, Mexico, composed of the City of Tizimin and 54 small Mayan villages; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Evansville was approached by the Tizimin municipality requesting assistance in obtaining the donation and shipment of medical equipment to be used in reactivating a hospital in the village of Colonia, Yucatan, and also to modernize and improve the medical care facilities at the hospital in Tizimin City; and

WHEREAS, the process of approval of such shipments by the Mexican authorities would be greatly facilitated if the City of Evansville and the Tizimin municipality established a Sister City relationship; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Evansville has been instrumental in the efforts to form a Sister City relationship, and has offered to provide substantial continuing volunteer work and efforts toward a long-term project where persons from various areas of life in the Evansville area would work closely with the people of the Tizimin area; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Tizimin municipality, Jose Dolores Mezo Peniche, and his wife, Profa. Graciela Gastelum Alatorre, have met with the Mayor of Evansville, and the Rotary Club of Evansville, and have indicated a desire to establish a Sister City relationship; and

WHEREAS, a Sister City relationship would benefit the City of Evansville by fostering cultural and educational exchanges for local citizens; educational opportunities for local students, including trips to Mayan ruins; tourism opportunities; and exchanges of all types of information, support and programs including cultural, educational, business, tourism, and health care programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Evansville as follows:

1. The City Council of Evansville, Indiana approves and supports the establishment of a Sister City relationship between the City of Evansville and the municipality of Tizimin, Mexico.
2. The City of Evansville, through the office of the Mayor, will devote time and efforts to continue to develop a relationship toward formal designation as a Sister City to Tizimin, Mexico.
3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

Is there a motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-13 and call the roll?

Councilwoman Mosby moved and Councilwoman Bredhold seconded the motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-13. Voice vote. So Ordered.

John Whinrey: Our Rotary Club was first approached in 2008 by the Tizimin Municipality in the Yucatan. That is about one hour west of Cancun. It is a broad district. It's main city is Tizimin but it also has about fifty Mayan villages. In the middle of all of the villages there is a deserted hospital that they are trying to reactivate. We are being pushed hard for this by the Rotary Club and the Tizimin municipality. They want us to assemble medical equipment to send down from Evansville and the surrounding area to the Tizimin Municipality for the purpose of reactivating this small hospital. We have gathered the equipment. We are getting donations from St. Mary's Hospital. A lot of it is the old Welborn Hospital equipment. Also we have gotten a donation of an ambulance from AMR. We have equipment from Dr. Tillman. We have had problems getting through the Mexican bureaucracy. We have spent a lot of time struggling with the

Mexican laws. We have written letters to the President of Mexico trying to get help to break through the Mexican bureaucratic process. Remarkably, the president's office took action. A large meeting was held where Jason Blue was present with the Minister of Health of Mexico and he decided that this is going to get done and suddenly all of the waters that parted and we now have the green light. We have the okay to ship the equipment down to the Tizimin municipality. We are all ready to go. We think the shipment will be made in May. We are still working on all of the details. Now, the Sister City Relationship, we see this as a long term relationship between Evansville, the developed world and the Tizimin district which is in the underdeveloped world. It is not your sister city relationship. It is quite an adventure. It's hard to say what it will develop into, but we want to get a lot more medical equipment. The need is so great, for example, in the ambulance they don't have a true ambulance in the whole district. So, we are shipping down there their first true ambulance. We are now trying to get a second one and reactivate this hospital. We look forward to medical teams going down there. There are all kinds of things we could do. We are also looking at school buses to send down there. We have raised about \$38,000 from the Rotary Club. We think there will be another \$30,000 in the near future. It is an exciting project. But, we have a large Rotary Club, about 240 members which are very supportive. The sister city relationship will enable us to establish a long term relationship. The sister city relationship will give it a special status and hopefully help us long term with the Mexican Bureaucracy.

President Watts: You are certainly to be commended for taking on this daunting task. Anything that we can do to help we will be more than happy to do so.

Councilman Adams: Have you actually visited this medical facility?

Jason Blue: Yes.

Councilman Adams: How many beds do you think it will handle?

Jason Blue: There are actually two facilities. One is located in Yucatan and it is a facility that was closed down. The other hospital which is in the main city of Tizimin has about forty to fifty beds. Reopening the clinic would also add an additional fifteen to twenty beds.

Councilman Adams: So you are taking over the clinic or the two of them together?

Jason Blue: As a matter of fact we are shipping down so much equipment, we will be able to reopen one and outfit another.

Councilman Adams: How are they going to staff that? Obviously it's wonderful if you can get a St. Mary's team to go down for a week to ten days. Are they going to do that with nurse practitioners

Jason Blue: Actually they have doctors. One of the main reasons that the facility in Yucatan was cut out of the budget because quite frankly doctors didn't want to travel there anymore because all they had was their medical bags. They did not have the equipment. They have the facility, they have the medical staff. Now we have the equipment the Minister of Health of Mexico has now put it back in the budget. Now they have a budget not only for the doctors and nurses but also any of the other staff.

Councilman Adams: Is it fairly safe in terms of the drug traffic?

Jason Blue: Yes, it's completely different now.

President Watts: Any other questions by members of council? Seeing none, is there a motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-13?

Councilwoman Mosby moved and Councilwoman Bredhold seconds the motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-13. All those in favor signify by saying aye. So ordered.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Miscellaneous Business: There will not be a City Council Meeting next Monday May 2, 2011. The next City Council will be on Monday May 9, 2011 at 5:30 pm. Committee meetings will begin at 5:10 pm.

President Watts: Central Dispatch, Leslie?

Leslie Buckman: Good evening. Leslie Buckman, Deputy Director of Evansville Vanderburgh County Central Dispatch. I'm here this evening to request to use some of our 911 funds. In your packet I gave you a list. Last year we replaced the pagers that will page the suburban fire departments when they get a run. I would like to replace the rest of those. We have replaced five with a spare and if we bought five more we would be complete. The second item is parts for our technician which costs \$15,000. The third item is up to four computers to replace the aging computers. The last items are the batteries for our wireless headsets. Two years ago we bought some wireless headsets and the life of the batteries is one year. We think we have done well with that. We used one while the other was charging and ended up getting two years out of the batteries. But, they are failing and we would like to replace them.

President Watts: The four computers, does that include the software?

Leslie Buckman: Yes it does. I added it up on page one of the computer pages. Each computer with the license and software will be \$2,259. That is today's prices.

President Watts: Any questions by members of council?

Councilman Walker: Just a comment please. There is something wrong. You have five quantities of the batteries at 250.

Leslie Buckman: That is for the paging coders. Each coder has a twelve volt battery supply. I'm sorry I thought you were questioning what it was. I think that someone didn't check it.

President Watts: Is there a motion to approve the expenditure, with the change from \$2,250 to the \$1,250.

Councilman John moved and **Councilwoman Mosby** seconded the motion to approve the expenditure requesting the change from the 12 volt power supplies from \$2,250 to \$1,250. All those in favor signify by saying aye. Opposed? No opposition.

President Watts: Shawn Dickerson. Thank you very much for having me here tonight. I have a short presentation. I will try to keep this down to five minutes. I would like to report on the Urban Forestry Program to you so that all of you know what is happening, what's in the tree community within Evansville. I would like to show a few slides from the beginning of all my presentations. It helps bring home the importance of trees. As you are looking at these pictures try to imagine yourself as someone who is interested in purchasing a home and would you rather be interested in the one on the left or moving to a neighborhood such as the one in the photo on the right. It really brings home the importance of just the appearance of trees towards purchasing homes and the rate of sales of homes. Trees help improve our air condition. They also help purify our water. In the past we have inventoried 10,000 trees along city streets, public parks, public cemeteries and other public locations. We have found out that through a USDA Program that the value of those trees, the annual value of those trees, is around \$700,000 dollars. The value of the trees after the cost of our program is close to \$400,000. That is significant. In a manner of speaking, the trees pay for our program. We have to care for trees correctly. We can do that now because we now have a program in an ordinance establishing proper tree care in Evansville. When we go out to prune a limb because it's hitting a school bus or causing some other problems, we prune it, right? We don't top it off. If someone calls and says that they want a tree topped, we are not going to top their tree. What we will do is, we will prune that tree properly for public safety. We now have a program where we manage the public trees here in Evansville. We also plant the right tree in the right place that way we don't have any conflict in the future. We educate the public because obviously a huge majority of all the trees in Evansville are on private property. We can't tell people what to do with their trees, but we can offer them information so that they can take care of their trees the right way. We also assist all of the other public agencies and we have an Arborist License Program which we enforce and have given fines for non compliance in the past. One of our largest accomplishments in the last year is assisting the Area Plan Commission with the parking lot landscape code. Where new commercial developments have so many parking spaces are required to plant so many trees or to have some sort of landscaping within their parking lot. That is one of our biggest accomplishments. We have also maintained planning two for one tree for each tree that we remove. Since 2001 we have planted 2.3 trees for every tree removed. Last year alone, we planted 2.9 trees for every tree removed. That is in the report that you have on your desk. We have developed certain manuals and guidelines to help us plant trees right. The Jasper area is about as close to us that we know. We educate the public about topping and why topping is bad. Not only can topping trees be bad for the trees themselves, it can also be bad for the property owners that top them, one reason being trying to resale property. One of our goals is to update our tree inventory. We have done that. Although I don't have the numbers to report to you now we have done that this year. I will present those numbers to you next year. Working with INDOT to establish consistent tree pruning and work standards. We are always looking for bigger and better ways to plant trees. They provide benefits for our community. One of the ways we have become a Tree City USA Community, which we have done for ten years in a row now, this year will be our eleventh year. We keep this going by having an Annual Arbor Day Celebration. Last year we celebrated at Glenwood School and we introduced the winners of the Evansville Arbor Day Essay contest, which we will do again this year. Vectren has helped us plant trees in the Glenwood neighborhood which we are also going to be doing again this year. This year we are planting seventy trees in the Glenwood and an area south of Washington. I would like to close with a quick video presentation of the first you tube video that I believe the city has put officially on You Tube. This is the winner.....something is wrong with the volume, it's not working. It worked last time, sorry. Does anyone know how to turn up the volume?

There are no speaker buttons on here.

President Watts: Move your mouse to the right about a quarter of an inch.

Elyse Talley gave a presentation on trees.

Mike Shopmeyer from the Tree Advisory Board is here. I believe that that is all of the members that are here tonight.

Councilwoman Bredhold: Thanks for giving this presentation every year. Have you noticed just east of Diamond and First Avenue there are several trees that seem to be topped every year in order to get a better view of a billboard that is there? It is east of Diamond and First Avenue..

Shawn Dickerson: We still don't have the authority to go onto private property to tell them what to do with their trees. I could attempt to educate them about what topping does to their trees.

Councilwoman Bredhold: I assume that it's related to the billboard that is right behind those trees and that's the reason that they top them. It looks terrible and it's in such a public place. I'm not sure who has that property.

Shawn Dickerson: At one point in time that was brought up and the first time that that was done and they let those trees get topped off. Unfortunately nothing got done. I believe that that may be private property along there.

Councilwoman Bredhold: So the only things we do in terms topping is just ask people not to do it currently.

Shawn Dickerson: Again, we don't have the authority to go onto private property to tell people what to do with their trees. We can only educate.

Councilwoman Bredhold: Are there any places where topping trees is against the local ordinance?

Shawn Dickerson: Yes. There are many places across the nation that have specifically in their tree ordinances that trees whether on public or private property cannot be topped.

Councilwoman Bredhold: I will say that I don't see it as often as I used to.

President Watts: Thank you Shawn and thank you Elyse.

Councilwoman Mosby: I would just like to let the council know that today at Hose House # 16 they dedicated the new Quint that is going to go into service. I just want to congratulate the Fire Department. Stop by and take a look at it. It is wonderful!

President Watts: Anything else from Council Members?

Berniece Turmenstein: I have a problem with the south east sewer that's going through and it will affect the roots of some of the trees. I have checked with Larry Caplan from the extension office. I have a print out from him. He says that if roots are cut within the first three years you will be losing limbs and the tree will die. My question to Mr. Dickerson is, is there anything that a homeowner can do to help that tree for life.

Shawn Dickerson: Larry Caplan is very knowledgeable. I would have to say that each case is different. It depends on how far out from the tree the roots are being cut through or trenched. What ever work is being done, the best thing that I could do is come by for a site visit.

Brenda Bergewitz: I just have one quick question. What is Sugar Steel Corporation? This is all new, I haven't been here for a while and I just saw that.

Debbie Dewey: I'm Debbie Dewey with the Growth Alliance of Greater Evansville. Sugar Steel is a corporation that's headquartered in Chicago Heights Illinois. What they did was to come here and lease the old Patriot Steel Building, which has gone empty and the people were laid off. They now have added about twenty-five jobs back. Most of them are the same people that were employed there before. It will be a processing and distribution center.

President Watts: It was an empty building in the Sixth Ward and I'm glad.....

Debbie Dewey: Our son Greg worked there until he got another job. Thank you very much.

President Watts: Anything else under Miscellaneous Business?

John Kish: Thank you, I will just take a minute. I won't read my report which I believe you have on your desk. I will say that the Arena is progressing well. Over the last seventeen months we have had about 1,200 people to work on the Arena. So that is twelve hundred families that have benefited some way. Four hundred and eighty five thousand labor hours have been invested in the facility. We have done that safely. We have seven reportable injuries. Our injuries have not been particularly significant. Seven injuries off of 485,000 are about half the national average for injuries. The project is on time and on budget. It should be substantially completed in October with the events ready to go. It will be in full swing in November. The spending is where we projected with about \$110 million for the actual design and building itself, land acquisition on Main Street at 3.2 million. We are trying very hard to get FF&E within your cost cap at \$127,500. The last number is the Executive Inn. A decision by the appropriate people, the lawyers and the accountants about what piece of the Executive Inn price goes to hotel and which goes to the Arena Project. But, it all comes in around the \$127,500. All is well. Five months before substantial completion, six months before the large event is ready. I'll be happy to answer any questions.

Councilman Friend: I have all kinds of clients calling me. Are there any rumors about sink age or the ground settling in one of the corners of the arena?

John Kish: Five people have called me about that rumor. The rumor is that there is some kind of settling. What we did have is a sewer issue on 6th Street by the corner of the building which required us to dig a fairly large hole to find the sewer and fix it. There was a crack in the sewer pipe. There is no settling with the arena. There are no issues.

President Watts: Thank you for getting all of this together. Also we have set our reorganization public hearings. Those will start Thursday May 5, 2011 at 5:30 pm. We have set eight (8) meetings. The first four are already advertised.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ASD COMMITTEE:

Re: Ordinance G-2011-7

Date: May 9, 2011

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Notify: Brad Mills/Janet Greenwell

CHAIRWOMAN ROBINSON

Adding additional uses in the Air District and establishing signage requirements

Re: Ordinance G-2011-8

Date: May 9, 2011

Time: 5:15 p.m.

Notify: Brad Mills/Janet Greenwell

Establishing an Arts Overlay Zone in the Haynies Corner Area and allowing certain to be operated from homes in the area as accessory uses

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Re: Resolution C-2011-14

Date: May 9, 2011

Time: 5:05 p.m.

Notify: Donna Crooks (GAGE)

CHAIRMAN FRIEND

Preliminary Tax Phase-In for Windstream Corporation.

Re: Resolution C-2011-12

Date: May 9, 2011

Time: 5:10 p.m.

Notify: Debbie Dewey (GAGE)

Confirming Tax Phase-In for SS&C Technologies, Inc.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Re: Ordinance G-2010-23

Date: May 23, 2011

Time: 5:20 p.m.

Notify: Maria Worthington

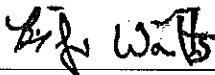
CHAIRWOMAN MOSBY

Petition to vacate an alley between Walnut and Locust St.

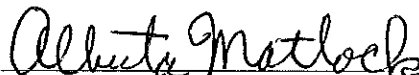
ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Mosby moved and **Councilman Friend** seconded the motion to adjourn. Voice vote. So ordered.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



President, B. J. Watts



Alberta Matlock, City Clerk

AMENDED

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Leslie Buckman – Central Dispatch

Shawn Dickerson: Tree Advisory Board Report

ADJOURNMENT

AMENDED

The Honorable Council of the City of Evansville is hereby called to order. Madam Clerk, please call the roll.

ROLL CALL

✓ M^cGINN

✓ ROBINSON

✓ JOHN

✓ MOSBY

✓ FRIEND

✓ WALKER

✓ BREHOLD

✓ ADAMS

✓ WATTS

There being 9 members present, 0 members absent, and _____ members representing a quorum, I hereby declare this session of Common Council officially opened.

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RECOGNITION OF SCHOOLS

Are there any students in the audience who would like to be recognized?

SCHOOL: _____
NAME: _____

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NAME: _____

TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL

Emily Nesbitt
Kayla Hammelman

Whitney Blank
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Councilman Mrsby moved and Councilman Brobbel seconded the

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as written. Voice vote. ✓ So ordered. ✓

CONSENT AGENDA

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION C-2011-11

FINANCE

FRIEND

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Confirming the Declaration of an Economic Revitalization Area for Property Tax Phase-In for the Acquisition of New Manufacturing Equipment (Sugar Steel Corporation)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN FRIEND

Councilman Friend: Mr. President, your Finance Committee met this evening to hear Resolution C-2011-11 and it comes forward with a (do pass/do not pass) recommendation

Watts
Friend

Councilman John moved and Councilman Friend seconded the motion to adopt the Committee Reports and move this Resolution to Third Reading.

Voice vote. ✓ So ordered. ✓

REGULAR AGENDA

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION C-2011-11

FINANCE

FRIEND

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Confirming the Declaration of an Economic Revitalization Area for Property Tax Phase-In for the Acquisition of New Manufacturing Equipment (Sugar Steel Corporation)

Is there a motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-11 and call the roll?

Councilman John moved and Councilman Friend seconded the motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-11 and call the roll.

ROLL CALL

✓ MCGINN

✓ ROBINSON

✓ JOHN

✓ MOSBY

✓ FRIEND

✓ WALKER

✓ BREHOLD

✓ ADAMS

✓ WATTS

There being 9 Ayes and 0 Nays, Resolution C-2011-11 is hereby declared ADOPTED/~~DENIED~~.

Abby D. Amiger } Watts
 Watts } Adams
 John Whinrey } Jason Blue
 Blue
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 Watts

RESOLUTION DOCKET

RESOLUTION C-2011-13 (Docket)

WATTS

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Supporting the City's Participation in Developing a Sister City Relationship

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY
 OF EVANSVILLE SUPPORTING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION
 IN DEVELOPING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Tizimin municipality is a broad area immediately west of Cancun, Mexico, composed of the City of Tizimin and 54 small Mayan villages; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Evansville was approached by the Tizimin municipality requesting assistance in obtaining the donation and shipment of medical equipment to be used in reactivating a hospital in the village of Colonia, Yucatan, and also to modernize and improve the medical care facilities at the hospital in Tizimin City; and

WHEREAS, the process of approval of such shipments by the Mexican authorities would be greatly facilitated if the City of Evansville and the Tizimin municipality established a Sister City relationship; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Evansville has been instrumental in the efforts to form a Sister City relationship, and has offered to provide substantial continuing volunteer work and efforts toward a long-term project where persons from various areas of life in the Evansville area would work closely with the people of the Tizimin area; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Tizimin municipality, Jose Dolores Mezo Peniche, and his wife, Profa. Graciela Gastelum Alatorre, have met with the Mayor of Evansville, and the Rotary Club of Evansville, and have indicated a desire to establish a Sister City relationship; and

WHEREAS, a Sister City relationship would benefit the City of Evansville by fostering cultural and educational exchanges for local citizens; educational opportunities for local students, including trips to Mayan ruins; tourism opportunities; and exchanges of all types of information, support and programs including cultural, educational, business, tourism, and health care programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Evansville as follows:

1. The City Council of Evansville, Indiana approves and supports the establishment of a Sister City relationship between the City of Evansville and the municipality of Tizimin, Mexico.
2. The City of Evansville, through the office of the Mayor, will devote time and efforts to continue to develop a relationship toward formal designation as a Sister City to Tizimin, Mexico.
3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

Is there a motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-13?

Councilman Mosby moved and Councilman Bredhold seconded the

motion to adopt Resolution C-2011-13. Voice vote. So Ordered.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There will not be a City Council Meeting next Monday, May 2,, 2011.
The next City Council meeting will be Monday, May 9, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. Committee meetings will begin at 5:45 p.m.

Leslie Buckman: Central Dispatch

Shawn Dickerson: Tree Advisory Board Report

Leslie Buckman
Watts
Buckman
Watts
Walker
Buckman
Watts

John moves Mosby seconds

Shawn Dickerson	Watts
Elyse Talley	Brenda Bengewitz
Bredhold	Debbie Dew
Dickerson	Watts
Bredhold	John Kish
Dickerson	Watts
Bredhold	Friend
Dickerson	Kish
Bredhold	Watts
Dickerson	
Bredhold	
Dickerson	
Bredhold	
Dickerson	
Watts	
Mosby	
Watts	
Bernice Bernstein	
Dickerson	
Bernice	

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ASD COMMITTEE:

Re: Ordinance G-2011-7
Date: May 09, 2011
Time: 5:15 p.m.
Notify: Brad Mills/Janet Greenwell

CHAIRWOMAN ROBINSON

Adding additional uses in the Air District
and establishing signage requirements

Re: Ordinance G-2011-8
Date: May 9, 2011
Time: 5:15 p.m.
Notify: Brad Mills/Janet Greenwell

Establishing an Arts Overlay Zone in the
Haynies Corner Area and allowing certain to
be operated from homes in the area as
accessory uses

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Re: Resolution C-2011-14
Date: May 9, 2011
Time: 5:05 p.m.
Notify: Donna Crooks (GAGE)

CHAIRMAN FRIEND

Preliminary Tax Phase-In for
Windstream Corporation.

Re: Resolution C-2011-12
Date: May 9, 2011
Time: 5:10 p.m.
Notify: Debbie Dewey (GAGE)

Confirming Tax Phase-In for
SS&C Technologies, Inc.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: CHAIRWOMAN MOSBY

Re: Ordinance G-2010-23
Date: May 23, 2011
Time: 5:20 p.m.
Notify: Maria Worthington

Petition to vacate an alley
between Walnut and Locust St.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Mosby moved and Councilman Friend

seconded the motion to adjourn. Voice Vote. ✓ So Ordered. ✓

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

April 25, 2011

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Re: Resolution C-2011-11

Date: April 11, 2011

Time: 5:25 p.m.

Notify: Deborah Dewey (GAGE)

CHAIRMAN FRIEND

Confirming Tax Phase-In
for Sugar Steel Corporation

May 09, 2011

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Re: Resolution C-2011-14

Date: May 9, 2011

Time: 5:05 p.m.

Notify: Donna Crooks (GAGE)

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A.S.D. COMMITTEE:

Re: Ordinance G-2011-7

Date: May 09, 2011

Time: 5:15 p.m.

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Time: 5:20 p.m.

Notify: Maria Worthington

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Petition to vacate right-of-way
Alley between Walnut and Locust



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EVANSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

April 25, 2011

Request for use of 911 account funds from account #329200051
Balance as of February 2011 \$301,860.11

The amount requested is: \$54,252.00

Replacement of remaining Zetron Paging Encoders	\$29,003
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Parts for Technician	15,000
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4 Computers	9,037
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Extra batteries to replace 2 year old batteries for Wireless headsets	1,212
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Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Buckman
Deputy Director

Attachments: Quote for Zetron Encoders
Quote for computers
Quote for headset batteries
Minutes from Dispatch BOD meeting March 31, 2011

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Zetron Paging Encoders are used to page both City and Suburban Fire. We replaced half of the encoders in 2010 and wish to complete the project this year by replacing the remaining encoders.

Parts for technician are for the use of our Technician for parts and pieces he needs throughout the year to keep things in good working order.

4 Computers to replace aging computers.

Batteries for wireless headsets. Central Dispatch purchased wireless headsets two years ago and each base had two batteries. The life of each battery is one year and with switching out the batteries, they lasted two years.

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USA
(812) 426-5000

Requester:

Requested by: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Phone: (812) 426-5000
Email: deramos@lenovo.com

Ship To:

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Sales Representative: DEREK RAMOS

Email Address: deramos@lenovo.com

Phone Number: (919) 804-6853

Fax Number: (585) 512-1778

Technical Support: (800) 426-7378

Quote Date: 3/23/11

Payment Terms: NET-30

Ship Type: UPS Ground

1) computer 848.00
2) monitor 163.00
3) license & software 1248.15
4) Total 2259.15 each

Product Code	Description	Unit Cost
TBD	LENOVO THINKCENTRE M91P	\$748.00
Product Description	Lenovo ThinkCentre M91p 4518 - Core i5-2400	
Type	Personal computer	
Platform Technology	Intel vPro Technology	
Form Factor	Small form factor	
Dimensions (WxDxH)	13.3"W X14.5"D X 3.9"H	
Weight	16.5 lbs	
Localization	English	
Processor	Intel Core i5-2400 processor (3.10GHz, 6M cache)	
Processor Main Features	Hyper-Threading Technology, Intel Extended Memory 64 Technology, Intel Virtualization	
Cache Memory	6 MB	
Cache Per Processor	4 MB	
RAM	4 GB (installed) / 8 GB (max) - DDR3 SDRAM - 1333 MHz - PC3-10600 (2 x 2GB DIMMs)	
Storage Controller	Serial ATA (Serial ATA-300)	
Hard Drive	1 x 160 GB - standard - Serial ATA-300	
Optical Storage	DVD-Writer	
Monitor	Not included	

Not for sale

Graphics Controller AMD Radeon HD5450 512M (DV+DP) LP
Video Memory 512 MB
Audio Output Sound card
Networking Network adapter - Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, Gigabit Ethernet
Power AC 120/230 V (50/60 Hz)
OS Provided Standard Imaging Services - preload customer image (Microsoft Windows 7 Professional 32)
Microsoft Office Ready Includes a preinstalled image of select 2007 Microsoft Office suites. Purchase a Medialess
Environmental Standards EPEAT Gold Rating, ENERGY STAR 5.0 compliant, GREENGUARD certified, RoHS compliant
Manufacturer Warranty 3 years onsite

Product Code	Description	Unit Cost
43R2161	LENOVO THINKPLUS ON-SITE REPAIR - EXTENDED SERVICE AGREEMENT - 5 YEARS -	\$85.00
Product Description	Lenovo ThinkPlus On-Site Repair - extended service agreement - 5 years - on-site	
Type	Extended service agreement	
Service Included	Parts and labor	
Location	On-site	
Full Contract Period	5 years	
Response Time	Next business day	
Service Availability	9 hours a day / 5 days a week	

Payment Terms: NET-30
Ship Type: UPS Ground

Merchandise Total \$833.00
Sales Tax \$0.00
Shipping / Handling \$0.00

Total \$848.00

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Quote Date: 3/23/11

Payment Terms: NET-30
Ship Type: UPS Ground

Qty	Product Code	Description	Unit Cost
1	2448HB6	LENOVO THINKVISION L1951P - LCD DISPLAY - TFT - 19"	\$140.00
		Product Description	
		Device Type	Lenovo ThinkVision L1951p - LCD display - TFT - 19"
		Color	LCD display / TFT active matrix
		Dimensions (WxDxH)	Business black
		Weight	17.4 in x 6.1 in x 14.6 in
		Diagonal Size	9.5 lbs
		Viewable Size	19" - widescreen
		Dot Pitch / Pixel Pitch	19"
		Max Resolution	0.285 mm
		Display Positions Adjustments	1440 x 900 / 75 Hz
		Color Support	Height, tilt
			24-bit (16.7 million colors)

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Image Aspect Ratio 16:10
 Response Time 5 ms
 Image Brightness 250 cd/m2
 Image Contrast Ratio 1000:01:00
 Digital Video Standard Digital Visual Interface (DVI)
 Signal Input DVI-D, VGA
 Compliant Standards FCC Class B certified, CE, MPR II, CSA, UL, TUV, C-Tick, BSMI, VCCI Class B ITE, GOST, AC 120/230 V (50/60 Hz)
 Power 19 Watt
 Power Consumption Operational ENERGY STAR Qualified, EPEAT Gold
 Environmental Standards 3 years warranty
 Manufacturer Warranty

Qty	Product Code	Description	Unit Cost
1	51J0590	LENOVO MAIL EXCHANGE - EXTENDED SERVICE AGREEMENT - 5 YEAR - SHIPMENT	\$21.00
		Lenovo Mail Exchange - extended service agreement - 5 year - shipment	
		Extended service agreement	
		Replacement	
		Shipment	
		5 year	
		Full Contract Period	

Payment Terms: NET-30
 Ship Type: UPS Ground

Merchandise Total \$163.00
 Sales Tax \$0.00
 Shipping / Handling \$0.00

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Quotation

Quote Number: JBM10100601-R06
Quote Expires: Jan 31, 2011

Justin Mock
Inside Account Manager
850 Asbury Dr.
Buffalo Grove, IL 60089
P: (847) 485-3700
F: (866) 549-8212
Justin_Mock@Dell.com

Customer: METROPOLITAN EVANSVILLE
Contact: Chance Webster
Customer #: 318518
Phone: (812) 435-5751
Fax:
E-mail: cwebster@evansvillegov.org
Date of Issue: Jan 27, 2011

PLEASE SEE IMPORTANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS QUOTATION

Product Description	Part #	Quantity	Unit Price	Ext. Price
VLA CORE CLIENT DEVICE CLIENT LICENSE/SOFTWARE ASSURANCE	1794763	12	\$226.04	\$2,712.48
VLA WINDOWS PRO UPG/SA	2533563	12	\$226.04	\$2,712.48
VLA OFFICE PRO PLUS LICENSE/SOFTWARE ASSURANCE	1788125	12	\$611.79	\$7,341.48
VLA SQL DEVICE CAL WIN32/64BIT LICENSE/SOFTWARE ASSURANCE	1788135	12	\$184.28	\$2,211.36

Notes:

Product Sub Total \$14,977.80
Grand Total \$14,977.80
USD

Quote Prepared By: Justin Mock

- 1) Customer's purchase is subject to Dell's Terms and Conditions of Sale found at www.dell.com, unless Customer has a separate purchase agreement with Dell.
- 2) Sales/use tax is based on the "ship to" address on your invoice. Please indicate your taxability status on your purchase order. If exempt, Customer must have an Exemption Certificate on file.
- 3) If you have a question re: your tax status, please contact your Dell | ASAP Software Inside sales representative listed above. Shipments to California: for certain products, a State Environmental Fee of up to \$10 per item may be applied to your invoice. Prices do not reflect this fee unless noted. For more information, refer to www.dell.com/environmentalfee.
- 4) All product descriptions and prices are based on latest information available and are subject to change without notice or obligation.
- 5) All prices are based on Net 30 Terms. If not shown, shipping, handling, taxes, and other fees will be added at the time of order, where applicable.
- 6) Customer understands and acknowledges that all warranties, representations and returns are subject to the manufacturer, publisher or distributor guidelines.

Tele-Communication, Inc.

7100 Old Katy Rd.
Building A
HOUSTON, TX 77024-2112

Tel#: (713)780-1157

Fax#: (713)780-0932

Quote # 314242

Quote Date: 28-Mar-11

Expires:

Shipping WHSE: MAIN

Quote taken by: SKARSTEN

Quoted To:

Client account number: 00001427

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Central Dispatch, E-911
1331 Harmony Way
EVANSVILLE, IN 47720
US

Tel: (812)426-7325

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Ship by Date	Customer Department	Customer PO Number	Customer Release#	Terms of Sale	Inside Salesrep	Outside Salesrep
3/31/2011		QUOTE 02/28		NET 30	SLK	
Ordered By	Currency	Exchange Rate	Carrier	Service Code	Frnt Method	
Nancy Coates	US	1	UPS	Ground	A	

Special Instructions: 00001427 :System generated Shipto

Seq#	L Item	Description	Qty Ordered	List Price	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	S 80322-01	CA12CD Replacement Battery	30	49.95	39.96	\$1,198.80

	Subtotal:	\$1,198.80
	Estimated Freight	\$13.12
	Sales Tax	
	*Total:	\$1,211.92

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EVANSVILLE CITY/VANDERBURGH COUNTY
CENTRAL DISPATCH

CENTRAL DISPATCH CONFERENCE ROOM

March 31, 2011
8:30 a.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 28, 2011
Executive Committee: 8:00 a.m.
Full Board: 8:30 a.m.

Attendees:

Assistant Police Chief Rob Hahn
Sheriff Eric Williams
City Council Appointee Dan McGinn
Fire Chief Keith Jarboe
County Council Appointee Mike Humphrey
Emergency Management Agency Deputy Director Adam Groupe
County Commission Appointee Jo Anne Smith
Board Attorney Josh Mastison
Deputy Director Leslie Buckman

Absent:

Mayoral Representative Steve Bagbey
Suburban Fire Representative Keith Kahre

Meeting called to order by Board President Keith Jarboe.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of February 24, 2011, made by Sheriff Williams and seconded by Assistant Chief Hahn. Motion carried.

Central Dispatch Report

Radio Request—Indian State Excise Police:

No one from the State Excise Police Department was able to attend the meeting today to request additional radios so it will be tabled until next month.

Employee/Applicant/Trainee Update:

Deputy Director Buckman reported that two people will begin dispatch training on April 6th. If they complete probation, all dispatch positions will be filled. Supervisor Wanda Cleveland has submitted her resignation/retirement papers, effective June 1st, which will create a vacancy at that level. Joe Bumpus, who moved from dispatcher to supervisor, is doing well and begins working on his own next Monday. Ms. Buckman stated that she received word from City Personnel giving the approval to begin the search for a new director.

911 Funds:

Ms. Buckman has prepared a request for 911 funds and asked for approval from the board to present it to the city and county councils. The total amount is \$51,993. The biggest portion of that amount is for Zetron paging encoders (\$29,003), which are used to notify suburban fire departments by pager of incoming alarms. She is requesting \$15,000 for the technician to purchase needed supplies and equipment, \$6778 for three computers, and \$1212 to replace batteries in the wireless headsets. **Motion to approve the request to transfer funds from the 911 account and to proceed for approval from the city and county councils made by Sheriff Williams and seconded by County Commission Appointee Smith. Motion carried.**

Console Furniture:

The last of the new consoles has been installed and all feedback has been positive. They allow users to adjust the height at any level, either sitting or standing.

Contracts:

The contract with ESRI is up for renewal. It covers the GIS mapping software and upgrades. Annual service cost remains at \$3400. **Motion to approve the contract renewal with ESRI for \$3400 for mapping software and upgrades made by Sheriff Williams and seconded by County Commission Appointee Smith. Motion carried.** The service contracts for housekeeping and pest control have been obtained and are presently under review by the city law department. A decision on them will be made next month.

Claims:

Motion to approve the claims made by Sheriff Williams and seconded by Assistant Chief Hahn. Motion carried.

Other Business:

Sheriff Williams reported that the annexation of Knight Township has been appealed, but he will not request that the jurisdiction information be changed back until the final decision has been made. If similar situations arise in the future, he encouraged the board to carefully consider the legal ramifications and expenses of such a move. Ms. Smith explained that other agencies who enter informational addressing data have to be employed to make the changes at quite an effort and expense. Sheriff Williams also said that he will not ask for a grant to stay this time, but in the future that would be an option.

Chief Jarboe announced that the Evansville Fire Department, in conjunction with the suburban fire departments, has received a federal grant of \$940,000.00, to be used to computerize all apparatus and command vehicles in the county. This is quite an undertaking and will involve Central Dispatch, as the dispatches will go directly to the trucks when installed.

Next meeting date: April 28, 2011.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Coates

Copies to:

**Brad Hill
Eric Williams
Dan McGinn
Keith Kahre
Dave Wedding
Mike Gilkey
file**

**Rob Hahn
Steve Bagbey
Leslie Buckman
Josh Mastison
Katy Nimnicht**

**Keith Jarboe
Sherman Greer
Mike Humphrey
Jo Anne Smith
Adam Groupe**



The New Evansville Arena Project

April 25, 2011

TO: John Friend
Chair, Finance Committee

FROM: John J. Kish
Arena Project Director

RE: Quarterly Report – First Quarter 2011

Pursuant to the City Council's request, I am pleased to provide this report on the progress of the New Evansville Arena Project through March 31, 2011.

The project is proceeding on schedule. Construction of the facility is expected to be substantially complete during the first week of October and the facility will be ready for a major event by the second week of November. We expect to host smaller events, including a community open house, preceding the major event.

Through March 31, 2011, a total of 485,681 labor hours have been invested in the project, with 1,185 employees participating in the site safety orientation and being cleared to work on the site. During March, an average of 236 people worked on the site each day. The project has an acceptable safety record with only 7 reportable injuries occurring since November 1, 2009. The project's injury rate, 2.88, is significantly below the national rate of 5.4.

All major construction contracts have now been awarded. As indicated on the attached report prepared by Hunt Construction, the final anticipated cost of these contracts is \$94,846,371. In addition, utility relocation costs of \$469,000 have been incurred. Future additional costs are anticipated in the total amount of \$820,000. The report of minority and women-owned business participation in the project shows commitments of 21.5% of direct construction costs.

Professional fees for the design, construction and administration of the Arena project are currently estimated at \$13.2 million.

We continue to carry \$750,000 separately to cover the miscellaneous costs necessary to execute the project. We originally budgeted \$1.6 million but a large portion of those costs are now included in the Hunt report.

Land acquisition for the properties on Main and 6th Streets amounted to approximately \$3,200,000. The subtotal of the foregoing costs is \$113.3 million.

In addition to these costs, the old Executive Inn property was purchased for use in support of both the arena and the new downtown hotel projects. The amount of that purchase which is

New Evansville Arena Project

properly attributable to the Arena project will vary (between \$10.9 million and \$6 million) depending on the cost allocation principles applied to the expenditure to ensure compliance with the bond requirements.

Additionally, we expect to spend no more than \$3.2 million on FF&E to equip and operate the new arena.

Attached to this report is a tabulation of all of these costs which shows that the total of current projections range from \$122.5 million to \$127.4 million

I would be happy to respond to any questions you may have.

CC: H. D. Adams
W. Bredhold
C. John
D. McGinn
M. Mosby
C. Robinson
D. Walker
B.J. Watts
A. Matlock, City Clerk



EVANSVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

EVANSVILLE AREA
PROJECT #1200

PERIOD THROUGH March 31, 2011

CONTRACTOR	TC #	BP #	ORIGINAL CONTRACT VALUE	CHANGE ORDERS	SCHEDULED VALUE	TOTAL WORK COMPLETED	TOTAL % WORK COMPLETED	MATERIALS STORED	TOTAL COMPLETED AND STORED TO DATE	TOTAL RETAINED	PREVIOUS APPLS	THIS PERIOD	TOTAL % COMPLETE	BALANCE TO FINISH
Hunt Construction Group Inc.	CM	CM	\$7,172,100.00	\$0.00	\$7,172,100.00	\$3,797,617.35	53%	\$0.00	3,797,617.35	0.00	3,688,261.71	211,355.64	53%	3,374,482.65
*Veetren (Temp Power)	TC-00A	BP 4	\$319,200.00	\$0.00	\$319,200.00	\$1,292.22	13%	\$0.00	\$1,292.22	0.00	3,038.02	3,238.20	13%	277,907.78
ARC Construction Co., Inc.	TC-00B	BP 5	\$2,347,270.00	\$7,700.00	\$2,354,970.00	\$2,354,970.00	94%	\$0.00	\$2,354,970.00	220,427.00	1,859,738.00	154,082.00	94%	171,190.00
Architectural Sales	TC-00B	BP 5	\$1,428,344.00	\$0.00	\$1,428,344.00	\$355,403.00	25%	\$288,592.00	\$355,403.00	92,398.00	490,000.00	71,297.00	25%	884,937.00
ATC Associates, Inc.	TC-00B	BP 5	\$310,430.00	\$0.00	\$310,430.00	\$182,620.00	59%	\$0.00	\$182,620.00	16,262.00	115,852.00	48,506.00	59%	146,072.00
Bernardin Lochmiller and Associates, Inc. (BLA)	TC-00B	BP 5	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$250,042.40	97%	\$0.00	\$250,042.40	0.00	288,305.40	3,737.00	97%	9,357.60
Covelsb Structures Inc. (Indianapolis)	TC-00C	BP 4	\$3,025,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,025,000.00	\$1,330.00	0%	\$0.00	\$1,330.00	0.00	17,350.00	0.00	0%	17,350.00
Crown Corr, Inc.	TC-00C	BP 4	\$3,025,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,025,000.00	\$2,851,272.00	95%	\$0.00	\$2,851,272.00	288,127.00	2,563,145.00	0.00	95%	431.8
Danco Construction, Inc.	TC-00A	BP 5	\$3,462,750.00	\$0.00	\$3,462,750.00	\$3,336,750.00	96%	\$0.00	\$3,336,750.00	173,136.00	3,01,087.00	301,087.00	96%	326,136
Delg Bros. Lumber & Construction Co., Inc.	TC-00B	BP 5	\$601,700.00	\$0.00	\$601,700.00	\$12,685.00	2%	\$54,072.00	\$67,767.00	9,676.00	1,330,553.00	213,402.00	88%	326,093.00
Elle Environmental & Safety	TC-00A	BP 5	\$5,423,855.00	\$0.00	\$5,423,855.00	\$27,880.00	0%	\$0.00	\$27,880.00	22,867.00	97,081.00	0.00	0%	822,819.00
Ice Builders, Inc.	TC-00E	BP D2	\$7,081,223.00	\$503,593.00	\$7,584,816.00	\$4,380,137.00	70%	\$0.00	\$4,380,137.00	394,061.00	4,186,126.00	450,950.00	70%	2,455,147.00
Industrial Contractors, Inc.	TC-10A	BP 5	\$1,947,000.00	\$4,405.00	\$1,951,405.00	\$1,145,749.00	59%	\$0.00	\$1,145,749.00	114,575.00	656,324.00	374,850.00	59%	920,231.00
Industrial Contractors, Inc.	TC-10A	BP 5	\$12,724,778.00	\$40,484.00	\$12,765,262.00	\$9,992,647.00	78%	\$0.00	\$9,992,647.00	842,650.00	8,380,340.00	839,457.00	78%	3,415,465.00
Invin Sealing Company	TC-10A	BP 5	\$2,870,830.00	\$28,155.00	\$2,898,985.00	\$948,571.00	33%	\$0.00	\$948,571.00	91,641.00	653,985.00	181,274.00	32%	2,046,181.00
Kansas City Structural Steel Inc.	TC-05A	BP 4	\$2,971,542.00	\$53,142.00	\$3,024,684.00	\$53,881.00	2%	\$0.00	\$53,881.00	86,583.00	177,866.00	439,418.00	23%	2,351,115.00
Kansas City Structural Steel Inc.	TC-05B	BP 5	\$9,470,724.00	\$138,356.00	\$9,609,080.00	\$9,341,150.00	97%	\$0.00	\$9,341,150.00	489,354.00	8,751,795.00	109,037.00	97%	746,284.00
Klenck Company (Waste Hauling and Recycling)	TC-05B	BP 5	\$1,337,860.00	\$37,205.00	\$1,375,065.00	\$84,044.00	72%	\$0.00	\$84,044.00	68,714.00	648,009.00	77,321.00	72%	448,944.00
Letman Roofing, Inc.	TC-07C	BP 4	\$220,000.00	\$0.00	\$220,000.00	\$538,134.00	89%	\$0.00	\$538,134.00	93,813.00	753,039.00	91,282.00	89%	186,591.98
Murdaw, Inc. dba TS Sports	TC-11C	BP 7	\$1,048,700.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,050,500.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	19,203.70	4,234.34	11%	204,279.00
Parkit Engineering and Environmental Inc.	TC-11C	BP 7	\$2,379,350.00	\$0.00	\$2,379,350.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	2,379,350.00
Peyronnin Construction Co.	TC-15D	BP 6	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00	\$152,758.50	61%	\$0.00	\$152,758.50	0.00	148,540.40	6,218.10	61%	97,241.50
Prediction Piping & Mechanical, Inc.	TC-02A	BP 1	\$12,100,000.00	\$224,344.00	\$12,324,344.00	\$9,372,931.00	81%	\$945,750.00	\$10,318,681.00	816,217.00	9,728,837.00	573,577.00	89%	2,021,880.00
Schindler Elevator Corporation	TC-14C	BP 3	\$1,245,894.00	\$6,625.00	\$1,252,519.00	\$705,230.00	56%	\$0.00	\$705,230.00	70,523.00	561,792.00	52,913.00	56%	618,814.00
Stallford-Smith, Inc.	TC-02B	BP 6	\$1,335,407.00	\$146,757.00	\$1,482,164.00	\$214,861.00	15%	\$738,344.00	\$55,605.00	95,381.00	652,272.00	208,182.00	50%	330,226.00
Storling Boiler and Mechanical, Inc.	TC-02B	BP 6	\$2,628,655.00	\$0.00	\$2,628,655.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	2,628,655.00
Taylor Brothers Construction Co., Inc.	TC-10A	BP 5	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$12,540.00	36%	\$0.00	\$12,540.00	0.00	11,310.00	1,230.00	36%	22,460.00
The Associated Group, Inc. dba Thomas	TC-08D	BP 5	\$558,550.00	\$51,253.00	\$609,803.00	\$355,697.00	58%	\$0.00	\$355,697.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	558,550.00
Tillis Scenic Studios, Inc. dba Athletic & Performance Rigging	TC-11D	BP 9	\$314,657.00	\$0.00	\$314,657.00	\$169,692.00	54%	\$0.00	\$169,692.00	16,969.00	101,818.00	90,307.00	54%	415,167.00
Tri-Klorid Demolition, LLC	TC-02D	BP D1	\$229,400.00	\$0.00	\$229,400.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	229,400.00
Tri-State Fire Protection, Inc.	TC-15C	BP 5	\$1,025,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,025,000.00	\$335,240.00	33%	\$0.00	\$335,240.00	83,524.00	713,151.00	38,595.00	33%	273,284.00
Woodie Bros. Building Group, LLC	TC-03A	BP 2	\$3,524,000.00	\$673,417.00	\$4,197,417.00	\$4,487,417.00	100%	\$0.00	\$4,487,417.00	224,043.00	4,263,374.00	0.00	100%	234,043.00
TOTALS			\$92,507,721.00	\$2,338,650.00	\$94,846,371.00	\$85,427,283.51	89%	\$3,140,388.00	\$88,567,671.51	\$4,045,344.00	\$58,579,893.23	\$4,842,817.28	72%	\$30,323,863.48

*Veetren - Hunt's Temp Power budget amount of \$510,260 is being used as the contract value.

The New Evansville Arena
 Projected Final Costs
 As of March 31, 2011

Construction Costs

Hunt Report		94,846,000
Utility Relocation		469,000
Additional Future Costs		820,000
Changes	420,000	
Signage	200,000	
Art	200,000	

Professional Fees

Populous		11,300,000
Project Administration		1,929,000
Kish	725,000	
Others	556,000	
Soil Testing	223,000	
Insurance	425,000	

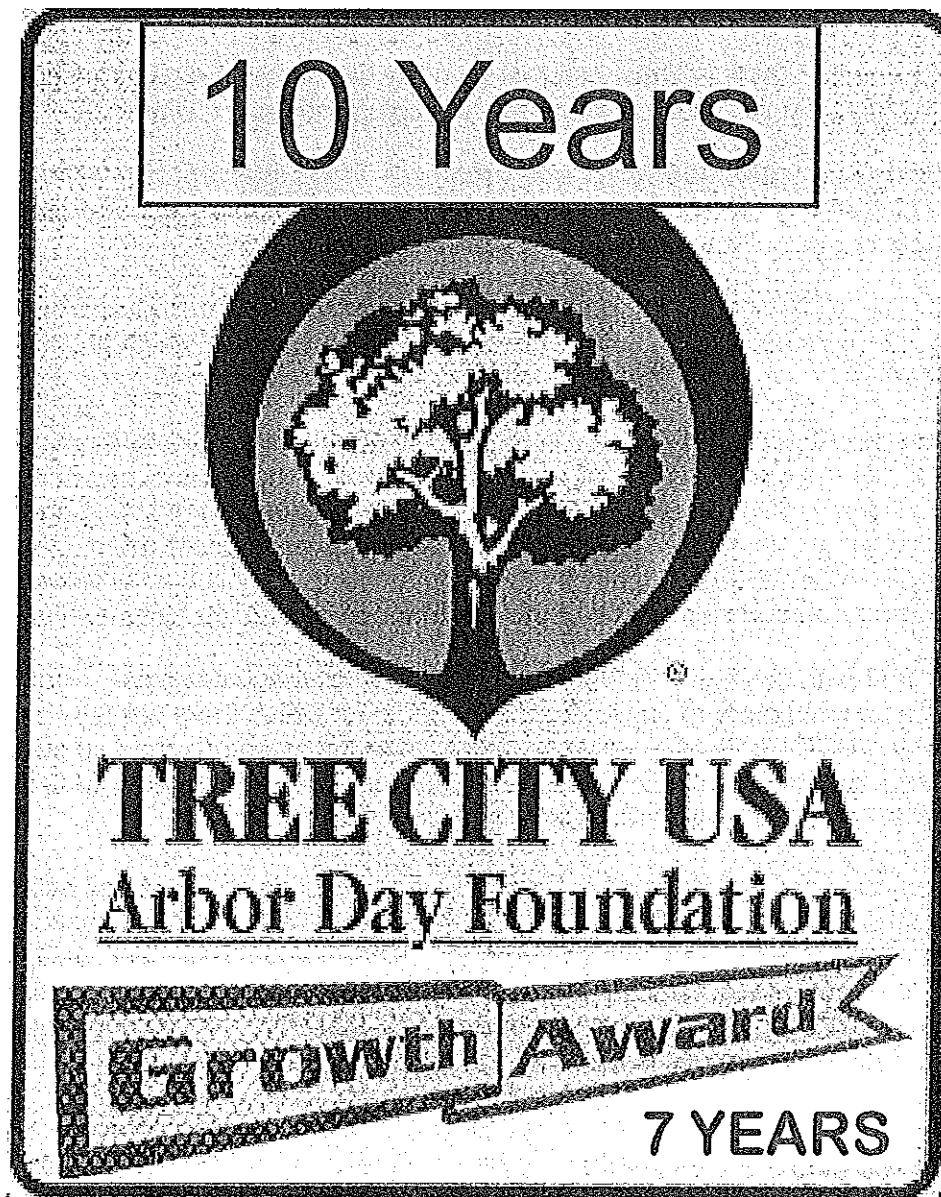
Miscellaneous other than included above	750,000
Land Acquisition (Main and Sixth)	3,200,000

Total	113,314,000
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FFE	3,200,000
Executive Inn range of cost attributed to Arena Project from	6,000,000
to	10,900,000

Total	122,514,000
to	127,414,000

2010 Annual Report
Department of Urban Forestry
&
Evansville Tree Advisory Board



Introduction & History

The general goals of the Evansville Urban Forestry program are to improve the quality of life for Evansville residents through increasing the number of trees and improving tree health and longevity through improved public tree care, Arborist (tree pruner's) Licensing, and public education.

Specifically, trees benefit Evansville by:

- ✿ **Increasing property values** – If the right tree is planted in the right place, and if such trees are maintained properly, and in doing so can increase the city tax base. Property values can be increased by as much as 27% (Tree City USA Bulletin #28).
- ✿ **Lowering energy costs** – Trees can reduce utility bills through evapotranspiration and shading buildings in the summer, and reducing cold winds in the winter (10-12%*).
- ✿ **Intercepting rain water and lower soil erosion** – Trees intercept rain water before reaching the ground. This greatly reduces the amount of storm water that reaches public storm water facilities, therefore lowering storm water facility costs.
- ✿ **Reducing air and water pollution** – Trees reduce toxicities in our air and water through taking up particulates through natural gas and liquid exchanges, which provides a healthy environment.
- ✿ **Improving quality of life** – Trees are relaxing to people by providing aesthetic beauty, recreation and the overall feeling of psychological well being. Trees make people healthier psychologically through relaxing, relieving mental fatigue and reducing aggressions, therefore helping to increase social interactions and lowering crime rates. This can have an indirect effect on the community by lowering amounts of police enforcement expenditures and better the overall appeal of the city to those outside the community.

No management plan can exist without knowledge of what resources exist. The Urban forestry office has an inventory of public and street trees, for which there are now over 10,000 recorded. Using USDA software, we were able to take the inventory and find our annual benefits gained from trees of \$692,906.89 resulting from energy reduction, CO2 reduction, air quality improvement, stormwater reduction and beautification benefits.

This valuation does not include trees in forested areas. Our department has estimated from aerial photographs that over 3000 acres of forested areas exist within the city limits on both public and private property. Benefits gained from forested areas have few costs, since they do not have to be managed. The valuation does not include trees on private property. A majority of the trees in Evansville are on private property, therefore the valuation that we gain from trees in Evansville is much greater than the estimates given above.

Without a board and department to manage the urban forestry programs, these benefits would diminish greatly. The Department of Urban Forestry and Tree Advisory board is currently working towards maintaining an inventory of public and street trees, planting the right trees in the right places, proper pruning, protection/preservation of trees/greenspace where appropriate and education of the public concerning tree care.

Evansville Tree Advisory Board

Established in 2001, the board consists of seven voluntary members, for which the duties and accomplishments are as follows:

- ♀ Provide regular and special meetings for tree related issues.
- ♀ Facilitate the replanting of removed trees by a 2 to 1 ratio, and in doing so, assist with the development and execution of tree-planting programs.
- ♀ Communicate and assist other city and government offices, not-for-profits groups and citizens of the municipality concerning trees.
- ♀ Enforce the Evansville Tree Ordinance, issue permits and govern all aspects of the City's Arborist Licensing program according to the ordinance.
- ♀ Recommend and approve to be removed any public tree or part thereof which is in an unsafe condition or is injurious to utilities, public improvements or other trees.



Department of Urban forestry

The Evansville Department of Urban Forestry was established and began operations in 2001 under the Department of Transportation and Services. The department consists of four full time tree crew workers, and is managed by the Evansville City Arborist, whose duties are:

- ♀ Accomplishing the day to day activities of hazard tree and tree limb removal, and removing tree debris created by storms from improved public right of ways.
- ♀ Maintaining and updating the existing inventory of public and street trees.
- ♀ Supervising the Arborist Licensing program, and administering fines for non-compliance.
- ♀ Inspecting and making recommendations for public tree issues, as well as planning, performing and assisting with public tree plantings.
- ♀ Recertifying for annual Tree City USA status and planning and supervision of annual Arbor Day event.
- ♀ Educating the public regarding proper tree planting and care.
- ♀ Managing the Department's fiscal budget, recommending an annual budget and applying for and administering outside grant funding.

Department of Urban Forestry - Monthly Report 2010

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Trees Removed	8	17	13	1	14	9	8		1	5	10	13	99
Individual Trees Pruned	1		48	1	14	5	13	19	23	5	5	13	147
Street Trees Pruned (feet)	5100	1150	700	200			900			800		200	9050
Boulevards Pruned (feet)									2000				2000
Alleys Pruned (per block)		1				2	12	10	5				30
Brush Cleared (feet)										1075	2150		3225
Stumps Ground				10					3			6	19
Tree Planted				29									29
Assisted other plantings				120							108	34	262
Debris Pick Up					1	4	3		2	2	2		14
# Storms w/debris		2	1	3	1	2	2	1			1	1	14
# Debris locations		2	1	3	1	3	2	1			2	1	16
Tree Pruners Fined		1							2				3
Public Seminars	1	3	2	4			1			1	3		15

Tree Planting: Removal Ratio = 2.9394

2010 Accomplishments

- ✿ Uploaded a video recording of the reading of the 2010 winning Arbor Day Essay Contest by Elyse Talley on YouTube. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zX-lmit6p68>
- ✿ Assisted APC with Parking Lot Landscaping code development.
- ✿ Continued Arbor Day Ceremonies, and maintained the City's Tree City USA status for the 10th consecutive year. Received Growth Award for 7th consecutive year.
- ✿ Assisted in a cooperative effort between Keep Evansville Beautiful, Vectren and the Department of Urban Forestry with the planting of 120 trees for first official ReLeaf effort. Most of trees were planted in Glenwood Neighborhood area.
- ✿ Provided guidance for the planting of 107 trees at the latest phases of the Greenway.



Other Accomplishments since 2001

- ✿ Reduced tree topping in Evansville through public education and education of local tree companies.
- ✿ Conducted City's Arborist Licensing program and are currently providing the required Ordinance Compliance seminars for the program at no additional cost to local tree companies.
- ✿ Completed tree inventory and placed inventory on public GIS web site.
- ✿ Developed and updated Arboricultural Specifications Manual and Landscape Guidelines. Proposed guidelines to be used in contractual tree planting for new public developments.
- ✿ Developed the Urban Forestry Management Plan and Emergency Tree Debris Removal Plan.
- ✿ Maintained a positive 2 for 1 tree planting ratio since the beginning of the program
 - ✎ Tree planting/removal ratio for 2010 = 291 planted / 99 removed = 2.9 trees planted for each tree removed in 2010.
 - ✎ Tree planting/removal ratio for since 2001 = 1,548 planted / 680 removed = 2.3 trees planted for each tree removed since 2001.

Goals for 2011

- ✿ Establish consistent standards for tree maintenance and planting on state properties in Evansville through adoption of a memorandum of understanding with Indiana Department of Transportation.
- ✿ Continue cooperative coordination of annual Urban Re-Leaf Program for replacing street trees.
- ✿ Updating the current tree inventory.

Continuous Goals

- ✿ Maintaining our status as a Tree City USA community. The following requirements are needed to maintain the Tree City USA status:
 - ✿ Maintaining a minimum of \$2 per capita for the purpose of management of trees.
 - ✿ Having an active tree board, department, and arborist to manage the program.
 - ✿ Enforcing an active ordinance to help protect existing public trees.
 - ✿ Hosting an annual Arbor Day Celebration.
- ✿ Creating new programs to maintain Tree City USA Growth Award status.
- ✿ Organizing and Conducting annual Arbor Day Celebrations.
- ✿ Planting, pruning, and removing trees where needed for public safety.
- ✿ Supporting and coordinating between vital government agencies and Not-for-profit groups concerning trees.
- ✿ Developing programs and activities for public education and involvement for tree planting and care in the community.
- ✿ Administering the enforcement of the City's Tree Ordinance, commercial tree pruner's license, Arboricultural Specifications Manual and the Emergency Tree Debris Management Plan.
- ✿ Monitor for Emerald Ash Borer and initiate plan when it is found in Evansville.
- ✿ Continue to replace trees in public areas as they die or outgrow their space.

In addition to these programs, we are always coming up with new programs, and are always open to comments and suggestions.

City to ward off ash borer threat

City will sacrifice trees against approaching invasion

DAN SHAW

STAFF WRITER OF THE
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City crews are preparing to cut down ash trees growing on public property in Evansville.

City officials have determined they either can get rid of all the ash trees on public property or wait for the emerald ash borer to do it for them.

To avoid the large cost associated with cleaning up a large number of trees at once, officials

have chosen to cut them down on their own, starting with the weakest ones first.

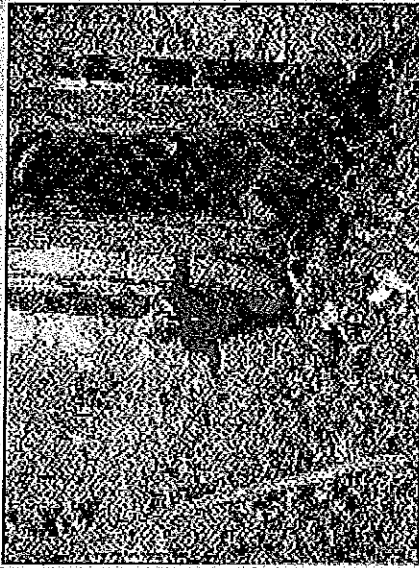
Steven Dickerson, the city arborist, said officials adopted the plan about a year ago, but cleanup after the 2019 ice storm prevented them from moving on it quickly. But barring another natural disaster, work crews soon should be cutting down most of the ashes standing in parks or lining streets, he said.

Dickerson estimated the species makes up 7 percent of all

trees on public ground in Vanderburgh County. If all of them were to die after an infestation by the emerald ash borer, the city would not have the manpower to cut them down. Paired with such a proposal, officials would have to hire the help of tree services, placing a heavy burden on local budgets.

A few ashes in public centers will be saved, as well as a "state champion" tree — the largest of

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Courtesy: Shawn Deane, City of Evansville

Lauren Preske, director of education for the Wesselman Nature Society, with a Biltmore Ash (Fraxinus americana) at Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve.

ASH BORER

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its species in Indiana — in Wauselman Woods Nature Preserve.

"It will be no more than 10 or 20 trees," Dickerson said.

Dickerson said ash trees can be protected by injecting them with chemicals, a procedure that must be done as often as once a year to be effective. The need for such regular treatment makes the measure unaffordable on a mass scale, he said.

Larry Caplan, a horticulture educator for the local Purdue University Extension Office, said the chemicals — Bayer Advanced Tree and Shrub Insect Control — can be purchased at most hardware stores and garden centers. A bottle for a small to medium tree costs about \$25 to \$30; treating larger trees would cost more.

Caplan suggested hiring a professional to inject the chemicals, which likely would increase the price tag.

Dickerson said officials' plans concern only trees on public ground. Owners of private property must decide what they want to do with the trees on their land, he said.

Planning ahead

The city's plan was adopted about a year ago after officials saw the emerald ash borer making its way into Southern Indiana. The pest has been found near Dubois County, about 75 miles from Evansville.

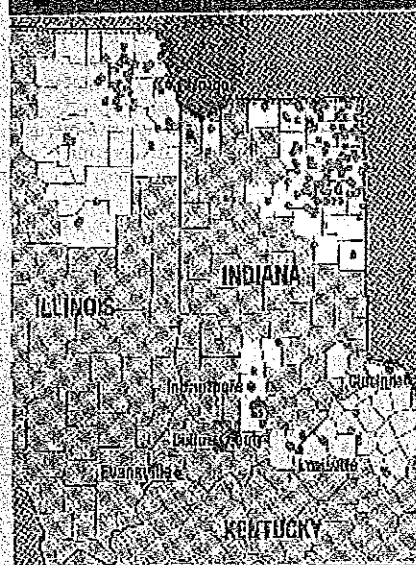
The chances of sparing local trees from the emerald ash borer's destructive effects are slim to nonexistent, Dickerson said.

"It will kill all of our ash trees," he said.

Caplan predicted the emerald ash borer will be found in Vanderburgh County or nearby counties this year, despite prohibitions on transporting lumber and firewood meant to hold the insect population to the two miles a year it is able to travel naturally.

The emerald ash borer

- State quarantine, generally infested areas
- State quarantine
- Emerald ash borer positive
- Site under evaluation (found in firewood)



What do emerald ash borers look like?

The emerald ash borer is a beetle, dark metallic green in color, 1/2 inch long and 1/8 inch wide.

How do infestations spread?

Emerald ash borer larvae can easily fly like a hide to new areas under the bark of infested trees. On its own, the emerald ash borer moves slowly through the landscape, only about half of a mile per year.



SOURCE: Purdue Extension Service

From where did the emerald ash borer come?

A natural range of the emerald ash borer is eastern Russia, northern China, Japan and Korea. Before June 2002, it had not been found in North America.

The emerald ash borer was first found in the Detroit area in 2002, where it was found in infested wood shipped from Asia.

What kind of trees does the emerald ash borer attack?

In North America, it has been found on only ash trees.

What happens to infested ash trees?

The canopy of infested trees begins to thin as the borer eats its way through the trunk and major branches, because the tree can't move water and nutrients. Conditioned tissue under the bark.

Female injected up to a million eggs, which hatch in 10 to 15 days. The larvae may die in the first year, or it may take 2 to 3 years. Sometimes, if the tree is not killed, it will die in 2 to 3 years.

From the back of the upper portion of the tree, it is difficult to see. The adult ash borer leaves a D-shaped exit hole in the bark, roughly 1/8 inch in diameter, when they emerge in June.

Who do I call to get more information on the emerald ash borer or to report an infested tree?

Contact your county extension office or the nearby Department of Agriculture, Indiana Department of Agriculture, 1000 N. Meridian, Evansville, Ind. 47713. Phone: 812-435-4287. You may call the USDA Emerald Ash Borer hotline at 800-322-4517.

LARRY FINK / Courier & Press

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Symptoms of an infestation by the emerald ash borer include:

- Dying branches at the top of healthy ash trees. One-third of the tree can die in the first season.
- Sprouts or suckers begin to appear at the base of the tree and over bark.
- Small D-shaped exit holes appear.

- S-shaped burrows under the bark.
- Vertical splits in the bark.
- Increased woodpecker activity.

For more information on infestations, call Larry Caplan, an extension educator-horticulture with the Purdue University-Corpus Christi Extension Service, at (812) 435-4287, or e-mail him at L.Caplan@purdue.edu. Caplan asked that people not call him unless at least three of the symptoms are present.

Caplan said too many people ignore the quarantines and continue to move the contraband materials. Vanderburgh County is prone to infestation because of the many highways that bring goods to it from other parts of the country.

"It's a matter of when, not if," Caplan said.

Caplan said the emerald ash borer is different from other types of boring insects in that it attacks healthy trees. It

does its damage by getting under the bark and burrowing through an ash's sap wood, which eventually cuts off the supply of water to leaves and other topmost parts.

Short survival

Once infested, a tree is lucky to survive three years, Caplan said. No species of ash found in North America appears to have developed a genetic resistance to the borer, he said.

The irony is that many homeowners planted ashes because they ranked among the species least prone to disease. Now those people will have to decide if they can afford the chemical treatments needed to save the same trees.

"You have to balance that with: What is the value of this tree?" Caplan said. "How much beauty are you getting, and how much shade are you getting?"

Tree lesson a down payment on beautiful city

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When someone is looking to plant a young tree that has been "balled and burlapped" — in other words, the roots are balled out of the ground so that the root system holds the soil together in a ball at its base, which is then wrapped in burlap — the worst thing to do is to force it into a deep, narrow hole in the ground.

When the tree's roots begin to grow, they quickly will push through the loose soil directly next to the trunk but are likely to halt when they run up against compact soil that has not been displaced, said Larry Caplan, an educator with the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service in Vanderburgh County and Southwestern Indiana.

Caplan told an audience gathered at Line Street Church of Christ on Saturday morning that the resistance put up by denser soil can cause roots to turn back on themselves and girdle their own trunk, an event that can prove fatal to a tree.

Caplan joined Shawn Dickerson, the Evansville city arborist, to offer advice to residents living in neighborhoods just south of Downtown. The audience was assembled through the work of Keep Evansville Beautiful, a nonprofit organization that works to improve the quality of life in the city.

J. Michael McGarrath, a program coordinator with Keep Evansville Beautiful, said everyone who attended the event Saturday received a voucher to claim a free tree in the spring. The trees, he said, are donations from Verdon Corp. and will be selected to suit the conditions of participants' yards.

"We want them to realize you can do this; it's not that hard," McGarrath said. "This is how to do it right, and tell your friends and neighbors about it."

McGarrath said Keep Evansville Beautiful plans to hold at least two more sessions on the same topic, but likely at different locations. Sharon Williams of Evansville said she has planted Bradford pear and birch trees but found it difficult to get them to grow. The speakers gave her an indication of why success has been so elusive, she said.

Outside of the church, Dickerson demonstrated the best way to



DAN SHAW / COURTESY FROM

Evansville arborist Shawn Dickerson digs a hole to which he planted a flowering crab apple tree on Saturday. Dickerson demonstrated good planting practices as part of a Keep Evansville Beautiful seminar meant to encourage homeowners to plant trees on their own properties.

plant a crab apple tree. He dug a hole about 3 feet in diameter and with sloped sides.

He then set the young tree in the middle of the saucer-shaped indentation. Before shoveling the soil back in, he cut the wire holding the tree's root ball in place and removed as much of the burlap packing as he could.

Caplan said planters should avoid refilling such holes with just mulch or other substances rich in nutrients. Doing so will cause the roots to grow densely near the base and not spread out as they should.

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EVANSVILLE

City gets Tree City U.S.A. designation for 10th year

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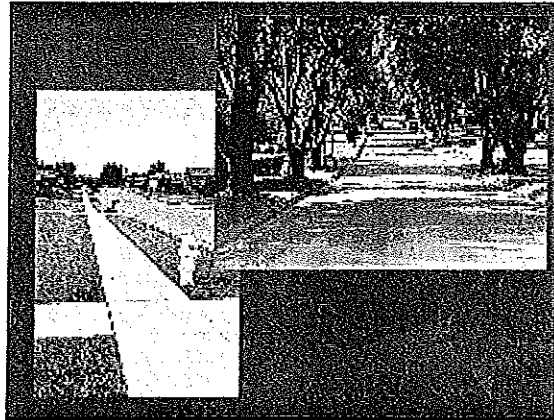
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— Tom Lovett

Annual Report on the Urban Forestry Program

Shawn Dickerson
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Past Accomplishment: Completed
Inventory of over 10,000 public and
street trees in Evansville.



Total Annual Benefits of Public Trees by Zone (\$)

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Current Goal: Update current tree inventory.

How to maintain benefits

- Proper supervision of city tree crew
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- Education of public
- Assisting other city agencies/departments
- Enforcement of arborist licensing program

Accomplishments

Worked with APC to assist in development of
parking lot landscaping codes.



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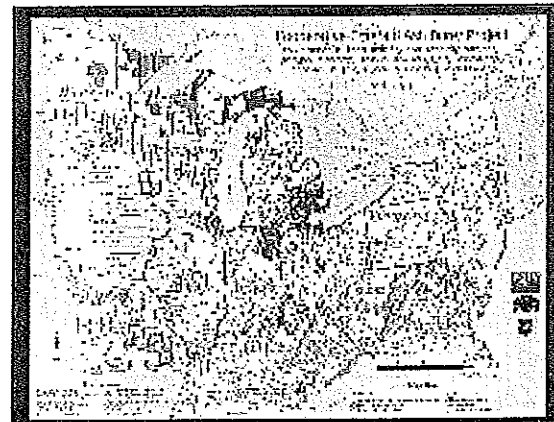
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This pest is the reason for this mess



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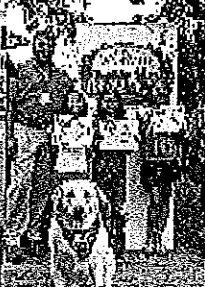
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Goals

Tree Advisory Board

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2010 Arbor Day Celebration was conducted at Glenwood School. Awards from state were received by the city and by Vectren for Tree City USA, Growth Award, & Tree Line City USA.

Goal: Continue annual Arbor Day Celebrations, and maintain Tree City USA status.

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Subject: Re: Contract Negotiations

Mayor Weinzapfel:

First and foremost, your accusations of unresponsiveness are unfounded. We agree that our last meeting was on 2-23-11, since then we have been in contact with The City on numerous occasions. We received our initial proposed Contract with Drug and Alcohol Language on 3-15-11 from Chief Jarboe and Personnel Director Fithian. As Local 357 Executive Board reviewed the language, several unnegotiated revisions were made to the language. We contacted Mr. Fithian regarding these revisions and received further revisions on 3-21-11. The Executive Board found that the language remained unacceptable. At this point we involved our Legal Counsel, who agreed with our position. Again, we contacted Mr. Fithian who relayed that City Legal reviewed our language and refused to compromise on the City's changes. On 3-29-11, we received The City's final Drug and Alcohol Language as was 'tweaked' by City Legal.

Secondly, agreed upon language, Section 9, Paragraph C was removed from our Drug and Alcohol Language without our consent. This redirects a member under treatment through departmental policy leading to FMLA leave. This leaves our membership's fate at the Chief's discretion.

Further, in this proposal, under year 2011, bullet point three states a Quartermaster Program will be implemented with ALL PPE included. The current language states clothing allowance will immediately be deducted to begin the program. The Chief has stated that the City's PPE will be inspected immediately and any damaged PPE will be repaired immediately by the membership prior to the implementation of the Program. It has been our stance that the City's PPE be repaired under the Quartermaster Program.

Lastly, this proposal clearly states that the duration clause will remain as is until it's validity is determined by the courts. The City has strayed from this language. Our duration language in the proposed contract has been completely removed. It has been replaced with legalese that only benefits The City. Mr. Fithian stated that leaving our duration clause intact "took the teeth out of The City's lawsuit". However, if we do not keep this contractual language, we would not only be surrendering the lawsuit, but our contract in it's entirety. The FOP is in agreement with our stance as is our Legal Counsel. Through my last contact with Mr. Fithian on 4-4-11, he confirmed that City Legal refuses to keep our current duration language intact. Due to this conversation we have been in contact with the FOP and Legal Counsel discussing this matter from 4-4-11 through 4-13-11. Legal Counsel is currently drafting duration language for Local 357 and FOP Lodge 73 to be included in any contract to be agreed upon.

Since we are bound to our Constitution and By-Laws, voting on this proposal by 4-29-11 is not possible. The Local 357 and its membership is looking forward to signing a contract. If you are unaware of these issues and can be of assistance to this negotiation process, we would greatly appreciate your help.

Sincerely,

Shawn Oglesby

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Shawn:

The City of Evansville ("the City") and the IAFF Local 357 Negotiating Team ("Negotiating Team") have met numerous times for nearly a year to negotiate a new, mutually-beneficial contract for 2010 and beyond. By my count, the City has submitted seven contract proposals to the Negotiating Team, and each contract proposal was responsive to the issues the Negotiating Team raised. Twice you have promised to take proposed contracts to the IAFF Local 357 membership for a vote, and twice you have failed to do so. The last time the City and the Negotiating Team met on February 23, 2011, we agreed to the following terms:

2010

- Health care as implemented in January 2010 will continue through 2011 and 2012
- On-site health clinic available to all employees and retirees until the age of 65
- Duration clause will remain as is until its validity is determined by the courts

2011

- 2% pay raise
- \$500 reallocated from clothing allowance to base pay
- Implement a quartermaster program (all items of PPE will be included; station wear is excluded)

- \$125 from each firefighter's clothing allowance in 2011 and 2012 will go to help fund the quartermaster program
- Starting in 2011, new hires' pay to be reduced by \$2,500 per year for their first three (3) years to help fund the quartermaster program
- Delete language requiring the department to hire when three (3) openings occur
- Implement a "Policy Advisory Committee"
- Out-of-class pay will be compensated at a rate of hour-for-hour and only for the days worked

2012

- Minimum 2% pay raise
- Both parties agree to continue discussions regarding retirees' insurance debt
- Raise the furniture allowance to \$10,000 per year
- Implement a random drug and alcohol testing program as agreed upon by the City of Evansville and IAFF Local 357

Before the negotiating session on February 23, 2011, Chief Jarboe went before the Board of Public Safety and received permission to add six Lieutenants back into the Table of Organization to demonstrate the City's commitment to signing a contract and as a show of good faith.

It has been nearly two months since you committed to take the current proposed contract to the IAFF Local 357 membership for a vote, but you have not done so. You have also not formally communicated any objections that the IAFF Local 357 Negotiating Team or membership have to the current contract proposal.

Because of your unresponsiveness, recent legislative actions and changing economic conditions, the City will be forced to rescind the current contract proposal, which is our best and final offer, if it is not taken to a vote by Friday, April 29.

Jonathan Weinzapfel

Mayor

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The Indiana Casino Gaming News

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This month, the National Council for Responsible Gaming launched a new Web site devoted to battling problem gaming at the college level.

The site, collegegambling.org, is designed as a tool to help college administrators, health professionals, students and parents address gambling and gambling-related issues on college campuses across America.



According to the American Gaming Association, 75 percent of college students engaged in some form of gaming last year. While the majority of those students were responsible about their choices, research shows that about 6 percent of college students have a gambling problem. While not nearly as prevalent as campus alcohol and drug problems, it is an issue that needs addressing - though only 22 percent of campuses have any policy regarding gambling.

The new site is an attempt to bridge that gap, and to educate colleges and their various constituencies about gambling issues. As a supporter of the AGA and the NCRG, the Casino Association of Indiana strongly supports this effort, and encourages you to visit collegegambling.org for more information.

-Mike Smith, President & CEO

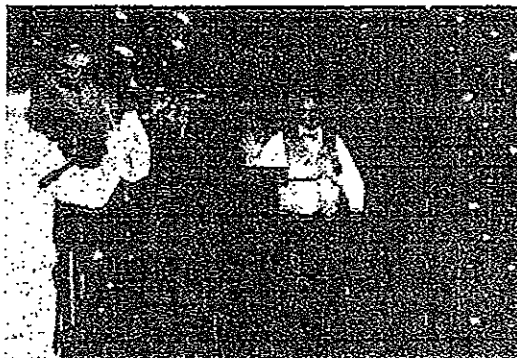
High water doesn't endanger pay

When flooding waters from the Ohio River force a business to close, most companies likely wouldn't pay employees for the time they spent at home.

Fortunately for team members, Horseshoe Southern Indiana isn't most companies.

On March 9, Horseshoe SI was forced to close its hotel due to the rising river level; a day later, the casino had to follow suit, closing as the water drew nearer to its doors. And while company officials weren't sure how long the closure would last, it was able to offer its employees one piece of certainty: they would be paid during the down time.

"Initially, we did not know how long we'd be closed, and we did not know whether or not we would be able to pay employees," said Norris Hamilton, the casino's vice president of human resources. "Clearly, it was something we didn't want our employees to have to worry about ... (and) we were able to



Horseshoe employees received a warm welcome upon their return to work March 17.

reach out and speak with our corporate offices and team to find out what we could do to ease our employees' burden.

"The senior leadership team here asked for permission to be able to pay our employees while we were closed, and we got the approval to do that."

The casino closed on a Wednesday; by Friday, employees had received notification that they would be paid for what eventually ended up being nearly a week off work. The casino re-opened March 16, with the hotel - which is nearer to the river - re-opening March 17. And ever since,

officials at Horseshoe have heard from their team members just how grateful all were for their efforts.

"We've received calls, emails, cards from our employees - people just walking through the pavilion or the hotel to say 'thank you,'" Hamilton said. "Even today, we still have employees who will stop and say, 'Thank you so much for paying us while we were closed.'"

"It was very impactful to the team, to the point where employees have truly echoed the sentiment that we want to be the best place to work in the Kentuckiana area."

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Revenue drop may spark Illinois smoking exception

Barely three years after enacting smoking bans, Illinois legislators may scale back the laws that prohibit smoking in the state's casinos and bars.

Citing revenue declines from anti-smoking laws, a House committee has approved a bill that would create exceptions to the smoking ban. House Bill

171 would allow smoking in segregated, ventilated rooms in licensed casinos, while House Bill 1310 would give liquor control commissions the authority to issue smoking licenses to bars and other establishments catering to an adult clientele.

"Since the ban went into effect, casino revenues are

down over 31 percent," Tom Swolk, executive director of the Illinois Casino Gaming Association, told the *State Journal-Register*. "It is very clear the majority of the drop was because of the smoking ban."

If enacted, the two laws would represent the first time a state has weakened its own smoking laws.